# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
# LOK SABHA

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SUBSIDY ON FERTILIZERS
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**Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:**

(a) the quantum of subsidy provided on fertilizers during 2007-08;

(b) whether the Government proposes to increase the subsidy on fertilizers during the current financial year;

(e) if so,the details thereof;and

(d) if not,the reasons therefor?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINES(SHRI B.K. HANDIQUE)

(a) During the year,total fertilizer subsidy disbursed was Rs. 40338 crore.

(b)to (d) The fertilizer subsidy is the difference between the delivered cost of fertilizers at the farmgate level and the notified selling prices of the fertilizers.The estimated requirement of the fertilizer subsidy has risen in the current year to Rs.119772 crore,due to sharp increase in international prices of fertilizer,constant selling prices of subsidized fertilizers within the country and an estimated increase in demand for fertilizers in the current year.